

Introduced by Senator Ortiz

February 17, 2006

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 96—Relative to the Deputy Sheriff Sandra Powell-Larson Memorial Highway.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 96, as introduced, Ortiz. Deputy Sheriff Sandra Powell-Larson Memorial Highway.

This measure would designate a portion of State Highway Route 5 in the County of Sacramento as the Deputy Sheriff Sandra Powell-Larson Memorial Highway. The measure would also request the Department of Transportation to determine the cost for appropriate signs showing that special designation and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources covering that cost, to erect those signs.

Fiscal committee: yes.

1 WHEREAS, Sacramento County Deputy Sheriff Sandra
2 Powell-Larson died in the line of duty at 48 years of age while
3 transporting state prisoners on northbound State Highway Route
4 5 at 375 feet south of R Street in Sacramento; and

5 WHEREAS, Deputy Sheriff Powell-Larson graduated from
6 Rio Linda High School in 1968, and began her career with the
7 Sacramento County Department of Social Services; and

8 WHEREAS, Deputy Sheriff Powell-Larson continued her
9 county career with the Sacramento County District Attorney's
10 Office while becoming a Sacramento County Reserve Deputy
11 Sheriff; and

12 WHEREAS, Deputy Sheriff Powell-Larson became a full-time
13 Sacramento County Deputy Sheriff on September 30, 1974,
14 while continuing her secondary education at Sacramento City

1 College, where she received an Associate of Arts degree in
2 criminal justice; and

3 WHEREAS, Deputy Sheriff Powell-Larson is survived by her
4 parents, Pete and Virginia Rudkin; her brother, Bill Powell; her
5 sister, Pam McBroom; her brother, John Powell; her husband,
6 Robert Larson; her daughter, Teresa Larson Crable; and her son,
7 Marc Larson; and

8 WHEREAS, Deputy Sheriff Powell-Larson was known by her
9 fellow officers for her dedication to the Sacramento County
10 Sheriff's Officers Association, and to the protection of the
11 citizens of our state; and

12 WHEREAS, Deputy Sheriff Powell-Larson served 18 years on
13 the Sacramento County Deputy Sheriff's Association Board of
14 Directors, where she worked tirelessly to improve wages and
15 working conditions for her fellow deputies; and

16 WHEREAS, Deputy Sheriff Powell-Larson was the first
17 female officer to die in the line of duty in the over 150-year
18 history of the Sacramento County Sheriff's Office; and

19 WHEREAS, It is appropriate that the northbound and
20 southbound portions of State Highway Route 5 between Q street
21 and J Street in the County of Sacramento be dedicated to the
22 memory of this law enforcement officer who made the ultimate
23 sacrifice in her service to the people of the State of California;
24 now, therefore, be it

25 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
26 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature hereby dedicates the
27 northbound and southbound portions of State Highway Route 5
28 between Q Street and J Street in the City of Sacramento, as the
29 Deputy Sheriff Sandra Powell-Larson Memorial Highway; and
30 be it further

31 *Resolved*, That the Department of Transportation is requested
32 to determine the cost of erecting the appropriate signs, consistent
33 with the signage requirements for the state highway system,
34 showing these special designations, and, upon receiving
35 donations from nonstate sources covering the cost, to erect those
36 signs; and be it further

1 *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of
2 this resolution to the Department of Transportation and to the
3 author for appropriate distribution.

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